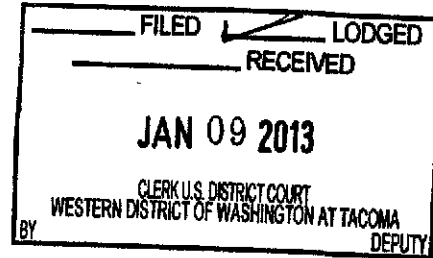
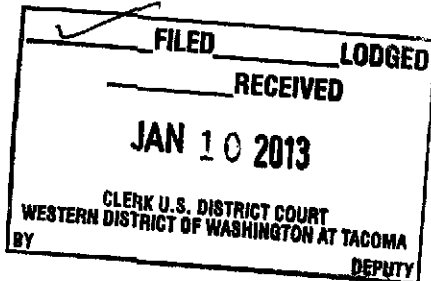


Judge Ronald B. Leighton



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ex rel.,  
JAMES BRYAN, DR. JEFFREY IJAMS,  
DR. WILLIAM KING, and SURENDRA PULI,

Plaintiffs,

v.

WALMART STORES, INC., a Delaware  
Corporation.

Defendant.

No. CV12-5281-RBL

**[PROPOSED] ORDER**

**FILED UNDER SEAL**

The United States and the individual states named as plaintiffs (collectively "Governmental Entities") have filed a Joint *Ex Parte* Application for an Extension of time to Consider Election to Intervene, in which the Governmental Entities seek a slightly over six (6) months extension of time, from January 15, 2013 to July 15, 2013, in which to notify the Court whether they intend to intervene in this *qui tam* lawsuit. Such an extension of time is expressly contemplated by the False Claims Act, which provides that the United States "may, for good cause shown move the Court for extensions of time . . ." 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(3). The Court finds that the Joint *Ex Parte* Application establishes good cause.

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**ORDER - 1**  
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1 Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that the Governmental Entities shall have until  
2 July 15, 2013, to notify the Court of their decision whether or not to intervene in this *qui tam*  
3 action. The Clerk shall maintain the Complaint and other filings under seal for the duration of  
4 the government's investigation.

5 DATED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

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9 RONALD B. LEIGHTON  
United States District Judge

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